

Wichita Daily Eagle

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A Kansas City man is working on a rudder attachment for street cars.

The Blaine boom, in a couple of weeks will need another glass of circus lemonade.

Congressman John Otis' four-month-old daughter, staggers under the name of Lavina Alliance Otis.

The nomination of Charles Curtis is proving not only entirely satisfactory to the Republicans of the Fourth district, but a very popular one.

Ben Clover is greatly worried for fear he will not be re-nominated. He went to bed the other night and it was fully five minutes before he could go to sleep.

Georgia has settled Hill. But he may be like the dog that you try to send home. He may only sneak around the block and turn up at the next corner.

Hill cannot be nominated. Cleveland has not the support of his own state. Meanwhile the "some good western man" boom tips the scales a little heavier each day.

The fences having all been pulled down the American hog can now stick his snout into any trough he chooses, and rook where he will. So much for reciprocity.

The Detroit Free Press facetiously remarks that a large proportion of western real estate is now navigable. Not denied; but it takes "dust" in constantly increasing quantities to get a clinch on it.

It is said that the man who composed "Annie Rooney" received \$14,000 for it. The Chicago News thinks this remarkable, but it is not nearly so strange as that the man should reveal his identity and confess.

Nobody in Kansas would be so profane as to declare that the hours of the present are tedious and tasteless, but no one would be accused of romancing if he should assert that December's as pleasant as May.

Having heard from New Hampshire and Georgia, your Uncle Grover Cleveland can now approach the starting post with the alacrity and ease of a man who had just filled an engagement with his chiropodist.

The hurricane that visited the island of Mauritius last month was one of the most destructive of modern times. The death toll will contain not less than 1,500 names. The destruction of property was correspondingly large.

Jerry Simpson says C. Wood Davis is one of the greatest frauds this country ever produced. It is real unkind of Jerry to speak thus of a brother farmer while he screens himself behind the rule of "present company always excepted."

It is proposed in Philadelphia to restrict bicyclists to a speed of six miles an hour, bar them from the pavements, compel them to take out a license and to carry an alarm bell. They will not, however, be required to carry their bicycles and walk.

There is to be a display of pictures of all the noted thieves at the World's Fair. The managers should not neglect to have a photograph of Hill and his co-conspirators in the New York legislature on exhibition. No rogues' gallery would be complete without it.

Mme. Patti is already making plans for 1894 and laughs at the gossip about a farewell tour. "I shall sing," she says, "just as long as I can do myself justice. To drop personal feeling for a moment and regard the subject purely from a business standpoint I don't believe that word 'farewell,' with its gloomy sound, ever drew a dollar from the public."

The action of the Democratic state convention of Georgia, in its reflection of sentiment in the south in favor of Hill's nomination, reminds one of the story of the boy who was set to chasing mice around a haystack. "How many have ye caught, Bill?" inquired a juvenile friend, and Bill answered: "When I've caught the one I'm after, an' two more, it'll be three."

In proof of the claim that the Democratic party is always friendly to the agricultural and laboring classes generally, it points with pride to the fact that the money used in its campaigns is drawn from the Standard Oil company and other enormous trusts and greedy corporations, and is not raised by levying assessments upon the rank and file of the party, as the Alliance does.

Retrenchment in expenditures seems to be the all-prevailing sentiment, except in congress. The world's fair managers have set a conspicuous example, and the Methodist general conference took a decided step in the same direction. "Tis well. Extravagance has been the bane of the country for the past quarter of a century, and is perhaps a more potent cause of hard times than any other."

The opposition of the few to the re-nomination of President Harrison is probably based upon the opinion entertained by General Grant in his letter to Roscoe Conkling, wherein he expressed "serious doubt whether any man can ever again be re-elected to a second term." It is a fact that no one of the four presidents from Grant to Harrison succeeded himself, and only one was proposed by his party. But circumstances alter cases. Popular demand supercedes and directs party action.

The presidential election in Mexico will be held next month, and the reelection of General Diaz seems to be a foregone conclusion. The repeal, four years ago, of the provision in the Mexican constitution forbidding the election of a president for an immediately succeeding term was undoubtedly in its interest and events have shown that the confidence reposed in him was not misplaced. He has already served in the presidency for twelve years, and under his rule Mexico has made steady progress.

WICHITA BANK CLEARINGS.

For three months the business of Wichita, as shown by the weekly reports of the bank clearings, a steady increase of from 5 to 20 per cent over the corresponding week of last year. As proved by the Associated Press dispatches of yesterday morning, Wichita showed an increase for last week of nearly 23 per cent, as against Kansas City, which showed less than 6 per cent.

SOUTHERN KANSAS CROPS.

The Little and Great Arkansas rivers have both contained themselves in a very satisfactory fashion during the late excessive rainfalls. Not a single farm or town within the bounds of the state has been damaged by either of these streams up to date, and both are gradually falling back to their usual volume. Meanwhile the vast and almost innumerable wheat and oat fields of Southern Kansas have flourished in a most vigorous way, the corn being in a promising state. In fact, barring unlooked for fatalities, this, the most famous and successful fall wheat growing section in the world, bids fair to surpass itself in the harvests of next month.

A ROORBACK.

Our Democratic contemporary appears last evening in a sensational article in which it is claimed that evidence has been discovered going to prove that Col. J. R. Halliwell is not honest in his support of Murdock for governor. The newly discovered evidence seems to be a letter written by Mr. Robert Neal, a stenographer in Halliwell & Gordon's office, to an influential gentleman in the eastern section of this state. Now the facts are that a copy of the letter was submitted to Murdock's friends, and it absolutely contains nothing harmful to his candidacy, in fact the most of the document sets out his chances in the strongest terms.

It is probably unnecessary to add anything further than to say that all this talk about misunderstandings, disagreements or treachery upon the part of Colonel Halliwell, or upon the part of his friends, or upon the part of any element of the Republican party of Sedgewick, is nonsense, without foundation or excuse, and the sooner it is frowned down the better it will be for the Republican party this fall.

NEARING THE END, AND BEGINNING.

It is two weeks and two days until Minneapolis.

Preparations for the interesting affair to take place then and there are going on apace, the managers having even filed upon the program of the inaugural ceremonies.

The new convention hall will be filled to the doors with delegates and visitors. There will be music by a brass band and a chorus of 1,500 voices will sing such patriotic music as cannot be construed into reflecting partisan feeling. The addresses will be delivered by Major McKinley, the energetic tariff-champion, and Mr. Depeu.

There is a distinctly festive character about all this. The day to follow will be one of toil and voting and of anxious delegates growing hoarse with shouting. People throughout the country will be living around bulletin boards and jostling each other over tickers. But the eve of the combat will be as festive and joyous as a carnival.

This is pleasant. Even busy Mr. Harrison, down there at Washington, will feel some polite interest in the proceedings that are to follow.

A WORD OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

There have come to us, at the hands of our fellow-citizens, within the past few weeks a number of endorsements flattering beyond deserving, being such commendations as at once aroused conflicting emotions of unworthiness and gratitude; but nothing of even such demonstrations as enlisted the sympathy and active response of an entire community sensibly touched the best within us as the recognition and benediction contained in the document presented to the Murdock club at the Friday night meeting by the Typographical union of this city, and which was signed by its every member. It was praise begotten only of the retrospective. Whatever may be the estimate of the world at large, however its favorable or unfavorable conclusions may have been colored, flattered indeed is he who receives the requiting acquittal of "well done, thou," etc., at the hands of those with whom his life has been in daily and hourly touch for years. Unsought and unexpected, without the incentive of local pride or the promise of reward of any character, such an expression of regard is more valuable, a thousand-fold, than the transient honor whose tenure is retained only while the power of political position continues. Of course it will be understood that in the action referred to all party affiliations were ignored, the truth being that a majority of the members of the union are Democrats, therefore something higher and more to be prized than the zeal that comes of political preference and loyalty.

A SERIOUS QUESTION.

From the census statistics relating to "Dwellings and Families" the New Orleans Times Democrat deduces two significant facts in regard to the comfort and vigor of the population of the southern states:

1. That people of the south are, as a general thing, better housed, at least in this respect, than each family has its own home instead of being crowded into tenement houses.

2. That families in the south are larger than in the north, and increasing, whereas they are decreasing in the latter section.

The latter condition contains the most momentous suggestion, and one that ought, granting that it is based on fact, to arrest the most serious attention of every patriot, and social and political economist in the land.

While the natural growth of population in the southern states keeps right on, with no loss of pristine momentum, in many of the northern states it has been so far arrested as to have come almost to a standstill. The drain due to constant emigration and death would in some of the New England states show a diminishing population but for the constant stream of immigration. It has become unfashionable among the native born New Englanders to have large families, so that there are

as many funerals as there are christenings.

Out of this southern growth and northern decadence new conditions will arise which, in the course of the next fifty years, must make mighty changes in the polity of the country, both political and industrial; not that it will eventuate in the renewal of a conflict of force as between the sections, north and south, but in the predominance of the latter in national affairs pertaining to the government in its various departments.

The situation ought to appeal to the pride of state and section, and to the patriotism of the north with sufficient force to induce them to forgo fashion for their country's weal.

The New York World does not accept Senator Gorman's defense of billion dollar appropriations and calls his argument unsound. It says the people did not want the Democrats to reduce expenditures "by cutting down the supply of soap and towels at West Point, by diminishing the pay of scrub-women nor by any pernicious cheese-paring expedients, but by demanding that unnecessary expenditures such as those applied to pensions, public buildings, and rivers and harbors, shall cease." "All these and many other economies," it says, "it was within the power of the Democratic house to enforce. It has not had the courage of its duty. And in voting money heedlessly from a depleted treasury it has been false to its trust and has thrown away its party's most potent issue."

It is a dull week in London when there is not a sensation of some sort in upper-tendom. The all-absorbing topic of gossip in the metropolis at this moment is the scandal in which the Portuguese legation has become involved and which bids fair to lead to the withdrawal from the court of St. James of that most popular of all foreign envoys, the Vicomte de Soveral. It is not the minister himself who is the culprit, however, but his father, who is 64 years of age. The old reprobate contrived a beautiful girl, represented himself as titled and wealthy, won the girl, married her, went to Paris and lived at a fashionable hotel for ten weeks, then deserted his wife and her widowed mother and returned to London. The sequel is a sensational divorce proceeding in the courts.

Some of the Alliance cartoons are rich and ridiculous. The last one depicts a laboring man calling upon heaven, with his hands high in the air: "I'm dying, Lord! Where is she?" To his mind Justice! Where is she? To his left is Wall Street, with a Hebrew holding a placard under his nose labeled "Elisha do so?" Further back is a court house, with a portiere. "She has moved." Further back a church, with the parson hanging out the answer: "She is not a member of our congregation." Across the way is a college, with a bald-headed professor answering: "She lives only in ancient history." Another tall building, labeled "The Press," with an editor answering: "Don't know—what's her last name?"

In Salem, Mass., last week a large number of relics of the witchcraft period were put on sale. Among them was a looking glass that used to hang in Cotton Mather's study, and which cracked the night before Cotton died. Another is a manuscript in Cotton Mather's handwriting, being a receipt for compounding a liniment that will surely heal the scratches and bruises maliciously put upon ye bodies of small children by witches and them that work ye devil's will. A flint and tinder box used at the execution of condemned witches in Salem is perhaps the most valuable relic Dr. Poole has secured; there is but one other specimen in the country, and that is held by the New England Historical society.

Among the weighty questions that the church militant, which is just now assembled by representatives in its various branches in this country, will probably feel constrained to reaffirm its views upon, (either in stronger or more modified form as the case may be) with their fellow members of opinion or belief) is the doctrine of human depravity. And as if planned by the fates a number of very forcible object lessons have just been provided in such occurrences as the lynching mania that has prevailed in this country recently, and the licentious practices in public places by supposed to be exemplars of good morals in other countries. The world is curious to see what the church will do about these crying evils.

The Presbyterian general assembly, which is now in session in Portland, Or., is always an important gathering; but additional interest will be taken in its deliberations this year from the fact that an authoritative and final utterance is likely to be made on the question of revision of the Westminster confession of faith. It is not likely that the leaders in the Presbyterian church will longer permit the question to remain unsettled; and whatever decision may be reached, the end of the protracted agitation will be gladly welcomed by all who sympathize with the spiritual aspirations of humanity.

Chicago is downcast by the determination of the Omaha conference not to elect any bishops this year. She expected her "admirable and lovable citizen-divine," Dr. F. M. Bristol, to carry back with him the bishopric he hoped to pick up there. But Chicago is not disheartened; she finds comfort in the thought that the "saints and sinners are bound to have a bishop among them one of these days."

THAT SUMNER COUNTY TRAIN.

From the El Dorado Republican.

A handsomely decorated train of twenty cars of wheat, containing 10,000 bushels, passed through this city on the Missouri Pacific last Friday, en route to New Orleans, where it has been sold for the purpose of export. The wheat was the property of S. Dixon of Argonia, Kan., who had charge of the train. There were a number of other gentlemen along with the train who had an abundance of Kansas literature and statistics to distribute along the road. The train was covered with banners, car-bells, evergreens, flags and bunting and presented a fine appearance that will attract attention in all the states through which it passes. This is a good way to advertise the state of Kansas and more of our products should be shipped in that way.

GUBNATORIAL GRAPNEL.

Take the federal office holders out from under Morrill and he would never know that he was running for governor—Lawrence World.

Take the state house crowd out from under Smith, and he never would know he was running for governor—El Dorado Republican.

Murdock seems to have a fair clench on the governorship. His men are all Smith men and cannot be transferred to anybody but Smith; so if Morrill can transfer his men he will have to make Murdock governor—Kansas City Gazette.

While it is true that many of Colonel Murdock's friends became "entangled" with other candidates when their favorite withdrew from the race, yet if any think that he is not "in it" they will discover their mistake at Topeka—Pratt Times.

It is clear, however, that Colonel Murdock is growing very rapidly in strength, and is winning his competitors who have assumed that he was not in the race. He is receiving the endorsements of many counties that are claimed by the opposition, and will go into the convention with at least 200 votes—Topeka Lance.

An old resident of Kansas knows him to be one who was faithful in the days that tried men's pluck and courage in our territorial days and proved himself honest and capable. Nothing but a real contest can defeat him. If we must have a Republican, in the name of God give us an honest and capable one—James Christian in the Arkansas City Traveler.

The governor of the great state of Kansas should be a man who has a mind of his own. Another Oklahoma man, Henry E. Asp, has been admitted to practice before the supreme court of the United States.

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The heavy rains have weakened the bridge across the Cimarron, north of Guthrie.

Purcell has been full of people this week who were prevented from going south by the washouts.

The Oklahoma Congregationalists will found an academy for the colored people of the territory.

The sun has been trying to shine in Oklahoma this week, but has made a miserable failure of it.

Virgil M. Hobbs of Kingfisher is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congressional delegate.

The cowboys may be able to scare the people of Beaver City, but they can't frighten Judge Barford.

The Indian maidens bathe on the outskirts of El Reno in full view of full grown American citizens.

M. Murphy who is fighting against Harvey for the congressional nomination is now territorial treasurer.

The house judiciary committee has reported favorably on a bill providing two extra judges for Oklahoma.

The Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians are loafing around and doing nothing. The Indian does not like to work.

Judge Clark has ordered a special venire of fifty names from which to select a jury to try the Curt Blackburn case.

Nothing was ever known to have been saved from the quicksand of the Canadian river after it had once got fastened.

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P. S. See Big Show Windows of "Arcade."

TUESDAY.

The Arcade will sell on Tuesday—and Tuesday only, 25 doz imported linen Traycloths, part of this lot have hand tied fringes and part hemstitched borders, with elegant designs, suitable for the table, the regular price of this lot is 40 to 50 cent, but on Tuesday this lot will be sold for only 21 cents.

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Another Job for Tuesday.

25 doz pure crepe linens bibs, with damask borders and fringes, regular price 25 cents, but on Tuesday—and Tuesday only, this lot will be sold for only 9c.

P. S. See big show windows of the Arcade.

Pears soap, 4 cakes for 50 cents.

Cuticura soap, 50c a box.

Pure soap root soap 3 cakes for 20c.

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The Two-Term Rule.

From the Boston Traveler.

The two-term rule for presidents seems to be about this: Presidents who deserve two terms get them.

Seasonable Advice.

From the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Stick to your "ailwood" flannels until the Republican president is nominated. There is safety in both.

Eugene Ware don't believe in dark horses.

Here is what he wrote on a postal card to Jack Downing a few days after the Hutchinson convention:

In Kansas conventions.

The man as a rule who plays the "dark horse" is a cream-colored milch.

Cash Before Refinement.

From the Cincinnati Star.

A lady who conducts a boarding house says she would "a blamed sight" rather take chances on boarding an individual who in advertising for a boarding house signs the "A. M." than one who refers to himself as a "refined gentleman."

Demagogic Pettifoggery.

From the Ft. Scott Herald.

The Atchison Champion voices the sentiment of a large majority of the people of the state when it says: "Prohibition is not an issue in this campaign, and no sort of demagogic pettifoggery can make it an issue. Therefore, to discuss the question in relation to any gubernatorial candidate is not only a waste of time, but is evidence of a cantankerous disposition, and of a desire to handicap and unnecessarily embarrass the party."

Search Light on Mr. Washington.

It is proposed to erect this summer a great electric search light on the summit of Mount Washington. It will be one of the most powerful ones ever constructed. The rays of light will come out of the projector in a single straight and very powerful beam, which stands out in the darkness of the night as distinct as though it were something on which one could walk, reaching perhaps 100 miles, and all along the way it can be seen touching a hilltop here and there, and illuminating whatever may be in its path. In all probability this beam of light can be seen from half a dozen states, the Dominion of Canada, and from far out at sea. The light in all probability will be seen from the state house in Boston.

Almost.

Almost the annual bursting time is here. When earth will burst its bonds and wake again.

When birds will burst, and with new leafage cheer.

The long lured sentinels of hill and plain.

When songs will burst anew from throats of birds.

And breakers burst o'er the cliffs with fuller gong.

When horses will burst their long barred doors, and herds.

Burst from their prisons and to pastures rush.

Ah, yes, and not to be outside in this. The annual bursting carnival, you'll see. The old warbleback crop to deep sleep.

And burst with lyric, one and epos.

—Boston Courier.

M. W. LEVY, Pres. F. W. OLIVER, V. Pres. W. H. H. THOMPSON, Manager.

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